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APPLICANT INITIATED INTERVIEW REQUEST FORM

Sir:

Tentative Participants:

- 1. Applicants' representative, Dr. Mary Miller
- 2. Examiner Young J. Kim
- 3. Primary Examiner Kenneth Horlick
- 4. Supervisory Examiner Gary Benzion

Proposed Date of Interview: Preferably November 3, 4, 7, 8 or 9, 2005

Proposed Time: Any time between 10AM and 5PM EST

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) [X] Telephonic

(2) [] Personal

(3) [] Video Conference

Exhibit to be shown or demonstrated [] YES

[X] NO

If yes, provide brief description: NA

ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED

lssues (Rej., Obj., etc.)	Claims	Art Cited	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
1) 112, 1 st ¶ (written description)	6-9, 25-27,				
2) 112, 1 st ¶	30-34		[]	[]	[]
(enablement)	23, 28 and 29		[]	[]	[]
3) 102(b) (anticipation)	6, 9, 23				

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Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

1&2) Re written description and enablement rejections, although applicants have attempted in previous responses to define the genus of nucleic acids claimed in accordance with the guidance provided by the Examiner in previous Office Actions, the Examiner continues to interpret the claimed genus in a manner that applicants believe is inconsistent with the claim language and with applicants' arguments and explanations. Applicants would like a discussion and clarification regarding these rejections in order to properly respond.

3) Re anticipation rejection, applicants would like to discuss the distinctions between the cited reference and the claimed invention.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on

Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature

Examiner/SPE Signature

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